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(57) Abstract: The present invention relates to a process for preparing boehmitic aluminas by hydrolysis of aluminium alcoholates in aqueous, alkaline solution. It further relates to aluminas or alumina hydrates prepared by this process and their uses.

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